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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Katsuto TANAHASHI et al.**

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Application Number: **10/743,793**

Examiner: **Johannes P. Mondt**

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 21, 2006, the response date of which having been extended by one month to November 21, 2006, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submit the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.